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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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) Group Art Unit: 1746
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) Confirmation No. 7350

For: ZINC/AIR CELL WITH IMPROVED ANODE

Hon. Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia. 22313-1450

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This communication is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated April 25, 2006.

The Examiner requires election of one of the following Claim Groups:

- I. Claims 1-39, drawn to a method for forming an anode, for a zinc/air cell classified in class 29, subclass 623.
- II. Claims 40-50, drawn to a zinc/air cell, classified in class 429, subclass 217.
- III. Claims 51-67, drawn to the combination of an anode can for a zinc/air cell and a mass inserted into the anode can, classified in class 429, subclass 229.